

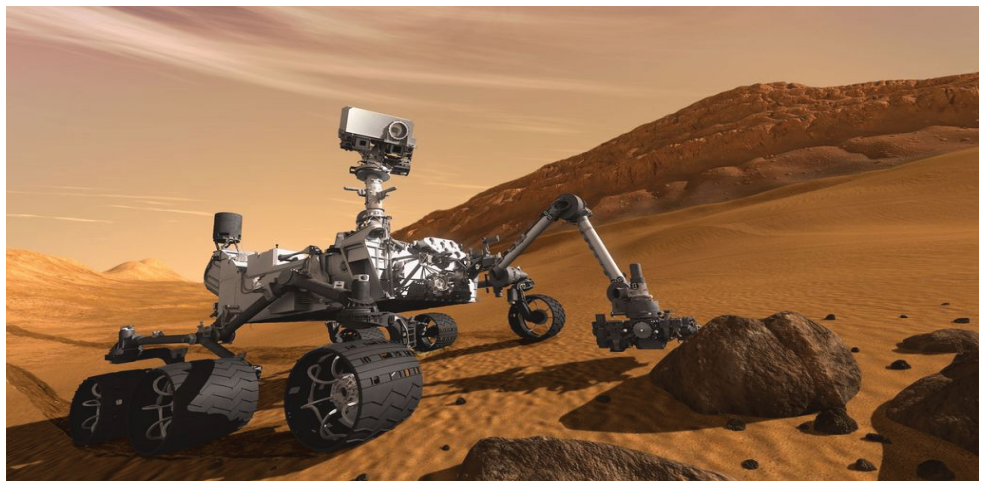


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# JPL Stories

## Off to Mars again: Ready or not!

*Presented by Rob Manning, MSL's  
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Wednesday  
November 9, 2011  
4:30 - 5:30 PM  
west end of  
Building 111  
Room 104

Everyone is  
Welcome

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MSL is set to be ready to launch to Mars starting the day after Thanksgiving on November 25, 2011. Rob will describe his thoughts on what it takes to be "ready" to send a complex robotic mission to the surface of Mars. How does MSL's readiness compare with other missions? Is MSL really ready to land and explore Gale crater? What keeps him up at night?